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First Choice America Telecommunications, Inc.

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Application for a certificate of local and
interexchange authority to operate as a reseller of
telecommunications services statewide in the
State of Illinois.

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE TO BECOME A
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER**

GENERAL

1. Applicant's Name (including d/b/a, if any)

FEIN # **36-4340415**

First Choice America Telecommunications, Inc.

Address: Street **106 West Calender Court, Suite 190, LaGrange, Illinois 60525.**

2. Authority Requested: (Mark all that apply) 13-403 X 13-404 13-405
3. Request for waivers/variances: In applications for exchange service authority under Sections 13-404 or 13-405, waivers of Part 710 and of Section 735.180 of Part 735 are generally requested. In applications for interexchange service authority under Sections 13-403 and 13-404, waivers of Part 710 and Part 735 are generally requested. Please indicate which waivers Applicant is requesting.

 X Part 710 Part 735 X Section 735.180 Section 250

4. In what area of the state does the Applicant propose to provide service?

**Applicant seeks authority to provide competitive local service in those areas
of Illinois now open to competitive local exchange service.**

5. Please attach a sheet designating contact persons to work with Staff on the following:

- a) issues related to processing this application
- b) consumer issues
- c) customer complaint resolution
- d) technical and service quality issues
- e) "tariff" and pricing issues
- f) 9-1-1 issues
- g) security/law enforcement

Please identify each contact person's (i) name, (ii) title, (iii) mailing address, (iv) telephone number, (v) facsimile number, and (vi) e-mail address, if any.

[SEE ATTACHMENT A], appended hereto.

7. Please check type of organization? _____ Individual X Corporation _____ Partnership
Date corporation was formed: **January 24, 2000**
In what state? **Illinois**

8. Submit a copy of articles of incorporation and a copy of certificate of authority to transact business in Illinois

[SEE ATTACHMENT B], appended hereto.

9. List jurisdictions in which Applicant is offering service(s).

Applicant will only be offering service in the State of Illinois.

10. Has the Applicant, or any principal in Applicant, been denied a Certificate of Service or had its certification revoked or suspended in any jurisdiction in this or another name?

_____ YES (Please provide details) X NO

11. Have there been any complaints against the Applicant in any other jurisdiction?

_____ YES X NO

If YES, describe fully. _____

12. Will the Applicant keep its books and records in Illinois? X YES _____ NO

MANAGERIAL

13. Please attach evidence of the applicant's managerial and technical resources and ability to provide service. This may be in either narrative form, resumes of key personnel, or a combination of these forms.

[SEE ATTACHMENT C, Testimonies of Larry W. Seab and Mark A. Widbin], appended hereto.

14. List officers of Applicant.

Larry W. Seab	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Mark A. Widbin	President
Gregory M. Drake	Executive Vice President
Charles W. McGuffee	Secretary and Treasurer

15. Does any officer of Applicant have an ownership or other interest in any other entity which has provided or is currently providing telecommunications services? X YES _____ NO

If YES, list entity. **NOW Telecommunications, Inc.**

16. How will Applicant bill for its service(s)?

Applicant's service will be prepaid in nature.

17. How does Applicant propose to handle service, billing, and repair complaints?

**[SEE ATTACHMENT C, Testimonies of Larry W. Seab and Mark A. Widbin],
appended hereto.**

18. Will personnel be available at Applicant's business office during regular working hours to respond to inquiries about service or billing? X YES NO

19. What telephone number(s) would a customer use to contact your company?

Customers will be provided with a toll-free customer service number.

20. What are your procedures to prevent unauthorized "slamming" of customers?

In light of the prepaid nature of Applicant's services, slamming cannot occur.

21. If granted authority to operate as a local exchange carrier, will the applicant abide by the following 83 Illinois Administrative Code Parts: 705, 710, 720, 725, 735, 755, 756, 757, 770, and 772?

 X* YES NO (If no, please provide an explanation.)

*** Except for waivers discussed in paragraph 3 above,**

22. Will the applicant sign and return membership forms to the Universal Telephone Assistance Corporation and the Illinois Telecommunications Access Corporation? X YES NO

FINANCIAL

23. Please attach evidence of applicant's financial fitness through the submission of its most current income statement and balance sheet, or other appropriate documentation of applicant's financial resources and ability to provide service.

[SEE ATTACHMENT D] , appended hereto.

TECHNICAL

24. Does Applicant utilize its own equipment and/or facilities? YES X NO

If YES, please list: _____

If NO, which facility provider(s)'s services does Applicant use?

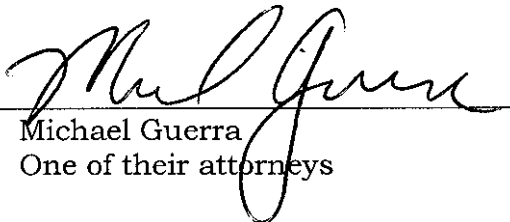
Applicant will resell the services of McLeod Telecommunications Services, Inc.

25. Please describe the nature of service to be provided (e.g., operator services, internet, debit cards, long distance service, local service).

Applicant will provide prepaid local service.

26. Will technical personnel be available at all times to assist customers with service problems? X YES
 NO

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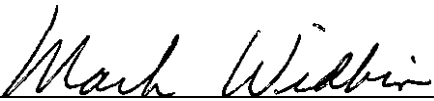
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VERIFICATION

I, Mark Widbin, being first duly sworn on ~~oath~~, state that I am ~~the~~ President of First Choice America Telecommunications, Inc., that I have read the foregoing Application for a certificate of local and interexchange authority to operate as a reseller of telecommunications **services** statewide in the State of Illinois, that I am knowledgeable of the facts stated therein, and that the same are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



Mark Widbin

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to
before me this 25th day of
March, 2000



Notary Public

